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Batman, Robin and Batgirl make rare appearance

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Legendary television trio in Winnipeg to meet diehard fans



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Winnipeg comic fans are getting a rare treat this weekend when Batman, Robin and Batgirl from the original 1960's TV series arrive for the Central Canada Pop Culture Expo.

The expo scored a coup by securing all three actors — Batman actor Adam West, Robin actor Burt Ward and Yvonne Craig, who played Batgirl with the boys in the iconic series' final season — because as Craig told Metro this week, she only just got back into doing live appearances two years ago and normally only does a couple a year.

"I did what I considered

was a lot — which was only like four or five a year — for about 10 years... and then I thought everybody who had probably wanted to see me had already seen me, so I quit doing them," she said over the phone from California. "So we haven't done any for a long, long time; I think we're doing two this year, and we did one last year in Australia."

Winnipeg couldn't be farther away from Australia, and Craig, who was a ballet dancer before landing the role of Batgirl, said she decided she'd use one of her two trips this year to come to Winnipeg simply because she's never been and because she'd heard good things about the show.

She laughed and said she'll bring her warmest Batgirl costume when told about Winnipeg's forecast.

"When they said it's north of Fargo, I thought, 'Oh dear, I think it's really cold,'" she chuckled.

Pop Culture Expo

Formerly known as the Winnipeg Comic & Toy Expo, the newly dubbed Central Canada Pop Culture Expo is run by the same folks who put on the Central Canada Comic Con (C4) every year.

- Vendors will be set up selling rare toys, art, collectibles and vintage items at the expo, and, like at C4, organizers encourage fans to come dressed as their favourite characters.
- The Central Canada Pop Culture Expo runs Friday to Sunday at the Winnipeg Convention Centre.
- Go to c4popculture.com for more information and to buy tickets.



Yvonne Craig, who played Batgirl in the original Batman television series, will join Batman actor Adam West and Burt Ward, who was Robin in the 1960's-era classic, at the Central Canada Pop Culture Expo in Winnipeg this weekend. CONTRIBUTED

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West Kildonan

Restaurant held up by pair

Police are looking for suspects after two men robbed a West Kildonan restaurant Wednesday.

Officers responded to the restaurant in the 1800 block of Main Street around 6:30 p.m. after two men, both wearing disguises, and one carrying a weapon, made off with an undisclosed amount of cash after confronting an 18-year-old male employee.

The first suspect is in his late teens to early twenties, roughly six-feet tall and 180 pounds.

The second suspect is also in his late teens or early twenties, roughly 5-6, weighing 150-160 pounds with a skinny build.

Anyone with information should call police at 204-986-6219 or Winnipeg CrimeStoppers at 204-786-TIPS. **METRO**

North Kildonan

Convenience store robbed

Police are looking for three men after a North Kildonan convenience store was robbed early Thursday.

Three suspects, all wearing disguises, and one armed with a weapon, demanded and received cash and cigarettes from the clerk working behind the counter at the store in the 1300 Henderson Highway around 1 a.m.

The first suspect is described as white and about six-feet tall, while the other two suspects are about six-feet tall. Anyone with information should call police or Winnipeg CrimeStoppers. **METRO**

Chamber of Commerce.
New CEO has experience

The Manitoba Chamber of Commerce has tapped a Winnipeg Chamber of Commerce veteran to lead its organization and Chuck Davidson said he can't wait to get started.

Davidson, currently the vice-president of policy at the Winnipeg Chamber, said he begins his new duties as president and CEO of the Manitoba Chamber on May 5, following the annual general meeting at the Elkhorn resort in early May.

"I'm excited about the opportunity, I've been at the Winnipeg Chamber for 10 years," said Davidson on Thursday.

"It's an honour that the



Chuck Davidson
METRO FILE

board of directors has chosen me."

Davidson said he's learned a great deal from Dave Angus, president and CEO of the Winnipeg

Chamber of Commerce, and outgoing Manitoba Chamber president and CEO Graham Starmer.

Starmer has retired, but on Thursday was named voluntary executive director of the Manitoba Association of Food Banks. **BERNICE PONTANILLA/METRO**

Race track. Jockey club saddles up for legal action

The Manitoba Jockey Club has filed a criminal complaint with the RCMP as it fights to retain control of Winnipeg's Assiniboia Downs race track.

The club wants the Mounties to investigate the actions of Manitoba Finance Minister Stan Struthers, the CEO of the Red River Exhibition Association and two other officials.

The jockey club alleges the association is trying to acquire the track by using confidential cabinet information, and claims Struthers is trying to manipulate the provincial budget to bankrupt it.

The RCMP, association and the club have not commented

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The NDP government plans to cut more than half of an annual \$9.5-million subsidy it gives the club.

on the complaint, but in a statement the province denies the accusations, saying the jockey club is simply trying to hold onto the subsidy.

The allegations have not been proven in court, and a judicial review into the matter will be held April 26.

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Preparing for flooding

Assiniboine River.

Officials keeping an eye on water levels, but say they're ready



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The provincial and municipal governments are keeping a close eye on the water levels along the Assiniboine River, though officials don't believe there's much to fear.

Premier Greg Selinger said Thursday measures have been taken to better prepare those communities along the Assiniboine's path.

"Many of the things that we did in 2011 are already in place. For example when I was in Brandon last Friday, they have protected homes in Brandon to the one-and-three-hundred-

year level of flooding," said Selinger. "They've gone ahead and they've done a tremendous amount of work to put diking programs in place and infrastructure, sewage treatment, etc., that will allow that community to operate safely if a big flood event happens to come to them this year."

Grant Mohr, flood protection planning engineer with the City of Winnipeg's Water and Waste Department, said levels on the Assiniboine River would have to reach James Avenue levels — in 2011 it was 20.5 feet — before they'd start to worry about properties on the Assiniboine.

"What the province will do is they'll operate the Portage Diversion and divert flows into Lake Manitoba for a short period of time, and they will keep the flows that are continuing on the river low for the City of Winnipeg," said Mohr.

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The province says communities along the Assiniboine River will be better prepared for a possible flood, as shown here, this time around. **HANDOUT**

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CrimeStoppers. Reporter takes up a life of crime

Last month, I let go of the mundane trappings of civil society and began a life of crime. Well, sort of.

While I'm not actually a criminal, after tackling the role of a human trafficker for a Winnipeg CrimeStoppers re-enactment video, I can now say I've played one on TV.

Detective Sergeant Tom MacKay from CrimeStoppers offered me the sought-after bad-guy role after we spoke about the force's need for volunteer actors for their videos last month.

MacKay had the perfect role for me — a boyishly handsome bearded male suspect connected to a human-trafficking ring.

I had so many questions — most importantly, what I should wear?

"Whatever you'd normally wear will be fine," he said.

"Excellent," I replied, making a mental note to stop



Reporter Shane Gibson CONTRIBUTED

dressing so much like a human trafficker.

The video debuted on local TV to rave reviews. See you on the red carpet.

SHANE GIBSON/METRO

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Pots N Hands. Premier to dine at restaurant in support of gay couple

Manitoba Premier Greg Selinger is going out to lunch in a show of support for two small-town restaurant owners who say homophobia has chased them out of business.

Selinger took to Twitter Thursday to announce that he will have lunch next week at the Pots N Hands restaurant in Morris, south of Winnipeg.

"Congrats Mayor (Gavin) van der Linde & Morris on stand against racism and homophobic bullying. Lunch at Pots N Hands next week during flood prep," the premier tweeted.

The premier later said in

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Selinger's decision followed news that Dave Claringbould and his partner were closing the restaurant because of insults that had been hurled their way.

an interview that his meal is intended to send a message "that Manitoba is an inclusive province that respects all Manitobans and their right to exist and make a living."

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Winnipeg Jets True North Foundation executive director Dwayne Green holds the coveted first of the team's specialty licence plates while Premier Greg Selinger and the foundation's communications co-ordinator, Kalen Qually, look on. SHANE GIBSON/METRO

Specialty plates pay off for Jets

Number one. Winnipeg Jets to raffle the sought-after WJ0001 licence plate



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On Thursday, the Manitoba Government and Manitoba Public Insurance handed over more than \$800,000 to the Winnipeg Jets True North Foundation from the sale of special Jets licence plates — and to celebrate, the charity

is giving fans a chance to win the most sought-after tag of all.

The foundation, along with True North Sports & Entertainment, is holding a raffle, and up for grabs is the Holy Grail of Winnipeg Jets licence plate numbers: WJ0001.

"It's been under lock and key in my office," said the foundation's executive director Dwayne Green at a press conference Thursday. "We've kept it for the appropriate time to raffle it off and allow any of our fans to have the opportunity to put it on our vehicle."

Green said 15,004 tickets would be made available — in

honour of the number of fans that crowd into MTS Centre every home game — and all proceeds raised from the sale of the \$20 tickets will go directly to the Winnipeg Jets True North Foundation.

The raffle was announced just moments after Green accepted a large novelty cheque for \$809,580 on behalf of the foundation, which works to provide opportunities for disadvantaged kids across Manitoba by supporting registered children's charities.

"We're extremely happy and excited with that donation," Green said, thanking the 27,000 Manitobans who

Tickets

Tickets for the coveted Winnipeg Jets specialty plate number WJ0001 go on sale Saturday and can be purchased at this season's remaining home games, all Jets Gear locations or by emailing kflett@truenorth.mb.ca. Go to winnipegjets.com for more information.

bought the special plates after their December 2011 release. "It's going to allow us to do some really wonderful things in the province."

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Jonah Nepon. Montreal concert to honour Winnipeg musician

From Montreal, with love.

On Saturday, a group of Montreal musicians and promoters will pay tribute to Jonah Nepon, a Winnipegger, who died of brain cancer on March 3 at the age of 29.

Nepon moved to Montreal in 2010, taking his Ghost Town promotion company with him. Despite his relatively short stay in Montreal (he moved back to Winnipeg in February 2011 after he was diagnosed), he managed to make an impact on that city's music community.

"He just had this unalloyed enthusiasm written all over his face, this beaming smile and just a real curiosity and awe of music and people who make it a part of their lives," said musician Alden Penner, who met Nepon at Montreal's Casa del Popolo, the venue for the memorial concert.

"It was really gratifying to have someone so enthused about the music and willing to go out of his way to help it be more widely heard," Penner said.



Jonah Nepon will be remembered at a benefit concert on Saturday in Montreal. CONTRIBUTED

One of Nepon's contributions to the Montreal scene was to put on two showcases for POP Montreal, while also volunteering and working as a venue manager for the annual music festival.

In addition to Penner, Nepon's memorial will feature performances by Play Guitar, Adam and the Amethysts, Asthma Camp, Wax Mannequin and The Sin and The Swoon. Donations will be collected for the Montreal Neurological Institute. The concert starts at 2 p.m. JARED STORY/FOR METRO

Cityreal pushes bounds of hip hop with 'real' video

New release. Winnipeg rapper prefers causes to self-promotion



JARED STORY

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Winnipeg-born rapper Cityreal — a.k.a. Remi Huot — is pushing the boundaries of hip hop.

The artist, now based in Vancouver, recently released Good Morning Blues, a collaboration with veteran bluesman Wes Mackey. In addition to fusing hip hop with the blues, the unlikely duo shot a video for the single Nightlife at the oilsands in Fort McMurray, Alta.

"I wasn't a big fan of doing the stereotypical, self-serving, make-yourself-look-good rap video," Huot, 27, said.

"Everyone hears about the oilsands and the North-

ern Gateway pipeline coming to B.C., but as far as keeping it relevant to people — as something that's going to affect them — usually it's just a quick headline they forget about.

"I figured the more attention we could bring to the issue, hopefully we can start to affect or stop future development there. It was either that or make a video about nightlife in a bar."

Huot said even he was shocked at what he saw while shooting the video.

"You see the toxic lakes, the huge flames in the distance and there's sirens going off every 15 seconds to keep the birds from landing in the toxic lakes. It was a like a bad acid trip," Huot said.

He plans to keep challenging his audience, producing his next solo album with the help of Toronto composer Todor Kobakov, a pianist and arranger known for his work with Metric, k-os, Stars and



Cityreal views hip hop in part as a way to draw attention to issues he cares about. He plays at the Pyramid Cabaret on Saturday. CONTRIBUTED

Dan Mangan.

Cityreal opens for Swollen Members on Saturday night at the Pyramid Caba-

ret. Tickets are \$37 at Kusom Kulture and Boarders Anonymous. Doors open at 9 p.m.

Benefit

Tribute concert for Nick Ternette set for Sunday

The life of a Winnipegger who championed social justice and the disabled will be celebrated with a concert on Sunday.

Nick Ternette, 68, died on

March 4. The Tribute to Nick Ternette, which takes place at 1 p.m. at the West End Cultural Centre, features performances by longtime friend Fred Penner, folk duo Karen Dana and Harry Havey, Sara Adi Kreindler, Hugo Torres-Cereceda and others.

Admission is free, but donations to the Nick Ternette Memorial Fund — supporting

projects related to social justice, community development, urban politics and ecology — will be accepted.

Ternette ran for mayor in 1977, then four times after that, never winning.

"He was a huge example of citizen participation, to the highest level," Coun. Jenny Gerbasi said.

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South Korea's defence minister said Thursday that North Korea has moved a missile with "considerable range" to its east coast but said it is not capable of hitting the United States. LEE JONG-HOON/YONHAP/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

North Korea missile on the move

Nukes. North is not believed to have mastered technology to miniaturize nuclear bombs to mount on long-range missiles

After a series of escalating threats, North Korea has moved a missile with "considerable range" to its east coast, South Korea's defence minister said Thursday.

But he emphasized the missile was not capable of reaching the United States and that there are no signs that the North is preparing for a full-scale conflict.

North Korea has been railing against U.S.-South Korean military exercises that began in March and are to continue until the end of this month.

The allies insist the exercises in South Korea are routine, but the North calls them rehearsals for an invasion and says it needs nuclear weapons to defend itself. The North has also expressed anger over tightened UN sanctions for its February nuclear test.

Analysts say the ominous warnings in recent weeks are probably efforts to provoke softer policies from South Korea, to win diplomatic talks with Washington and to solidify the image of young North Korean leader Kim Jong-un. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

We Are Anonymous

North gets hacked

Hackers apparently broke into two of North Korea's government-run online sites Thursday, as tensions rose on the Korean Peninsula.

A picture posted Thursday on the North's Flickr site shows North Korean leader Kim Jong-un's face with a pig-like snout and a drawing of

Mickey Mouse on his chest.

Underneath, the text reads: "Threatening world peace with ICBMs and Nuclear weapons/Wasting money while his people starve to death."

A statement, purporting to come from the hackers Anonymous and widely circulated online, said that they had compromised 15,000 user records.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Police ID two Canadians killed in Algeria

The remains of two young men from London, Ont., were among those found at the site of a deadly terrorist siege in Algeria in January, the RCMP confirmed Thursday as they pleaded with the public to help in their investigation.

Beyond confirming a four-day-old headline, however, the unusual and hastily called news conference raised far more questions than it answered — chief among them

whether the police probe is making any progress.

"We are continuing our work and gathering evidence in this case to determine the circumstances that led to Ali Medlej and Xristos Katsiroubas departing Canada," said RCMP Supt. Marc Richer.

In the face of questions about whether police had hit a dead end, Richer acknowledged that such investigations are dependent upon key

details from members of the community.

"People tend to look to the police (as) having all the answers. The reality is, we need the public's help," Richer said.

"What we need to know is that benign piece of information that may be annoying someone who's wondering what to do with it. Pick up the phone and call the number on the screen. That's

what we want people to do."

Medlej and Katsiroubas are believed to have played key roles in the January attack on a natural-gas plant, which killed at least 38 hostages and 27 other militants.

No other details about the pair or about other potential suspects are being released for fear it could end up compromising the investigation, said Richer.

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Strange Berlusconi sex trial continues

Milan courthouse. One-time nightclub dancer who has missed court dates inside stages unusual protest outside court

Silvio Berlusconi's sex-for-hire trial held an unusual protest Thursday in front of Milan's courthouse, accusing investigators of waging psychological warfare against her and manipulating her testimony during interrogations.

Karima el-Mahroug, 21, better known as Ruby, read out a tearful, six-page statement denying that she was

His 'Bunga-bunga' parties

"I always denied having had sex for money, especially with Silvio Berlusconi."

Karima el-Mahroug, 21, said prosecutors were the source of her suffering for having identified her as a prostitute.

a prostitute, insisting that she had never had sex with

Berlusconi and demanding that the court hear her side of the story.

"I have nothing to be ashamed of and nothing to hide," el-Mahroug said. She denounced what she called "psychological torture" directed at her by people pretending to help her and also accused the media of defaming her.

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Karima el-Mahroug, also known as Ruby; a Moroccan woman at the centre of Silvio Berlusconi's sex trial, Thursday. LUCA BRUNO/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The Moroccan woman at the centre of ex-Premier

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Ohio. 'Craigslist Killer' sentenced to death in murders of three men

A self-styled street preacher was sentenced to death Thursday in the killings of three down-and-out men lured by bogus job offers posted on Craigslist.

The jury that convicted Richard Beasley of murder recommended that he face execution. The judge had the option of reducing the sentence to life in prison.

Beasley, 53, was convicted of teaming up with a teenager in 2011 to use the promise of jobs on an Ohio farm to lure the victims into robberies.

Three men were killed, and a fourth who was wounded testified at Beasley's trial.

The judge read the three death sentences in a hushed courtroom crowded with victims' relatives, some of them holding back tears.

Later, about to be sentenced on other crimes including kidnapping, Beasley said he was innocent and expects to have his conviction overturned on appeal. "I have killed nobody, and that's a fact," Beasley said.

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Richard Beasley in court in Akron, Ohio, in March. Beasley, known as the "Craigslist Killer," was sentenced to death Thursday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

Discrimination

Airline to appeal conviction

A French court has convicted Air France of discrimination for removing a Palestinian activist from a plane as she travelled to Israel for a rally. Court heard Horia Ankour was asked whether she was Israeli or Jewish, then ordered off the plane after she said she was neither. The airline says Israelis had told them she would not be allowed in the country. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Cornell

Ivy league wrestler faces rape charge

A Cornell University wrestler accused of raping another student as she slept was arrested after a friend of the victim took pictures of him lying on the bed, pants partway down, and then looked him up on the school's website. Peter Mesko, 22, was charged with first-degree rape.

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Poll. Canadians have little faith that their private information is protected

A newly released poll suggests Canadians overwhelmingly believe their private information is more at risk today than it was a decade ago and that the federal government and corporations don't take the issue very seriously.

The poll commissioned by the office of the federal privacy commissioner found about 70 per cent of Canadians believed there's less privacy protection today than there was 10 years ago.

Very few felt personal

information was being safeguarded as much as it could be. Only 21 per cent of those polled felt the federal government took its responsibility to protect private information seriously, about 64 per cent responded "somewhat seriously" and 12 per cent chose "not seriously."

For businesses, 13 per cent of respondents said corporations take the issue seriously, 68 per cent chose "somewhat seriously" and 18 per cent replied "not seriously."

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Train derailment

Oil spill 100 times worse than thought

The cleanup at the site of a freight-train derailment in northwestern Ontario has broadened.

Canadian Pacific said it initially thought only four barrels of oil escaped, but it

appears about 400 broke free.

Some 20 cars went off the tracks Wednesday, halfway between Thunder Bay and Sault Ste. Marie. A CP spokesman said crews quickly contained a leak in one car but didn't realize another had spilled until much later that day. He said the spill was initially hidden under the snow. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Only death could silence prolific movie reviewer

Roger Ebert. Even after losing much of his jaw to cancer, critic kept his trademark wit coming

Roger Ebert had the most-watched thumb in Hollywood.

With a twist of his wrist, the critic could influence a nation of moviegoers and sometimes make or break a film. He was best known as half of a TV duo with Gene Siskel and later with Richard Roeper.

Ebert, film critic for the Chicago Sun-Times since

1967, died Thursday at the Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago, two days after announcing on his blog that he was undergoing treatment for a recurrence of cancer. He was 70.

"So on this day of reflection, I say again: thank you for going on this journey with me. I'll see you at the movies," he wrote Tuesday on his blog.

After cancer surgeries in 2006, Ebert lost portions of his jaw and the ability to speak, eat and drink. But he went back to writing full time and eventually even returned to TV. In addition to his work for the Sun-Times, he became a prolific user of social media, connecting with fans online.

In early 2011, Ebert launched a new show, Ebert Presents At the Movies. The show had new hosts and featured Ebert in his own segment, Roger's Office. He used a chin prosthesis and enlisted voice-over guests or his computer to read his reviews.

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Roger Ebert died Thursday at age 70. MATT SAYLES/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

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Product chief departs

RBC downgrades Lululemon

RBC Capital Markets cut its rating on Lululemon Athletica Inc., and lowered its target price on the stock Thursday following the departure of the company's chief product officer.

RBC analyst Howard Tubin said Sheree Waterson was instrumental in the design process at the company for the last five years and was a strong creative leader. "While we continue to believe Ms. Waterson has a solid design team in place, the loss of her creative leadership adds a new level of uncertainty to the story," RBC said in an analysis Thursday. "We prefer to move to the sidelines with our rating until we have better visibility on future product direction."

The departure of Waterson announced by the firm late Wednesday came just weeks after Lululemon pulled its popular black Luon yoga pants from store shelves over concerns they were too sheer.

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Digital archives. British Library aims to preserve Internet for researchers

Capturing the unruly, ever-changing Internet is like trying to pin down a raging river. But the British Library is going to try.

For centuries the library has kept a copy of every book, pamphlet, magazine and newspaper published in Britain. Starting Saturday, it will also be bound to record every British website, ebook, online newsletter and blog in a bid to preserve the nation's "digital memory."

As if that's not a big enough task, the library also has to make this digital archive available to future researchers — come time, tide or technological change. The library says

Quoted

"If we don't capture this material, a critical piece of ... our understanding of the 21st century will be lost."

Lucie Burgess, the British Library's head of content strategy

the work is urgent. Ever since people began switching from paper and ink to computers and mobile phones, material that would fascinate future historians has been disappearing into a digital black hole.

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Will you let Facebook rule your cellphone?

April 12 launch. New Home service for Android users puts social network at centre of mobile life

With its new Home service on Android gadgets, Facebook aims to make its social network the hub of people's mobile experiences. The question, now, is whether people want all their Facebook content greeting them every time they look at their phones.

If users download Facebook's Home software starting on April 12, Facebook will become the centre of their Android smartphones. Switch on your phone and you'll see friends' photos, overlaid by status updates, links and eventually, advertisements. If a friend sends you a message, their Facebook photo will pop up as a notification.

A feature called "chat heads" lets users communicate with their friends directly from their home screens without opening a separate app.

Done with Facebook? Swipe your finger to get to a screen with your regular Android apps to listen to music,



Facebook CEO Mark Zuckerberg speaks about the new Home service for Android phones at the company's Menlo Park, Calif., headquarters Thursday. "We think this is the best version of Facebook there is," he said.

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watch videos or send email.

At first, Home will only work on some Android devices, including HTC Corp.'s One X and One X Plus and Samsung Electronics Co.'s Galaxy S III and Galaxy Note 2. A phone from HTC that comes pre-loaded with Home will be available starting April 12.

The Home software won't be available for Apple's iPhone and iPad devices. Apple's iOS and Mac operating systems include features that integrate Facebook's services, but Facebook CEO Mark Zuckerberg said doing something like Home would require a closer partnership.

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Conference Board

Lack of innovation is holding Canada back, report says

The Conference Board says Canada has been spinning its wheels in the critical area of business innovation

despite a decade of trying.

The Ottawa-based think-tank says its latest comparison of 16 advanced economies puts Canada in 13th place on innovation, a key element of a modern, competitive economy.

The report says Canada ranks second last in two important aspects of the

overall innovation record, the amount businesses spend on research and development and in venture capital expenditures.

The think-tank notes that the federal government has placed great emphasis on improving Canada's innovation performance for years, THE CANADIAN PRESS



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SMARTPHONES, NOT SMART USERS

1 No fair. Kim Jong-un is being unfairly criticized for his threats by people who just don't know the story. You see, after the Second World War, both countries laid claim to the southern territory, but the North lost a controversial game of Rock, Paper, Scissors. They lobbied for a "do-over," but the South asserted that the agreement was stamped "No erasies" with a "No take-backs" clause. Furthermore, South Korea's President Park Geun-hye maintains that Kim's intimidation is feeble because "We are rubber and they are glue ..." (Note: This is NOT historically accurate. It only seems that way.)

2 Spaced out. American physics professor John Cramer released an upgraded version of his recording of the theorized Big Bang that formed the universe. Cramer explains that with no air to vibrate, space has no sound, but that the medium that pervaded the universe in the first 100,000 years-ish was far more dense than the atmosphere of the Earth. All I heard was "no sound in space," thinking, "Can we send Miley Cyrus there?"



The List
Mike Benhaim
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3 Sins of the father. An international team of researchers revealed a "genetic risk profile" for smokers. Ostensibly, people with a certain DNA may be predisposed to cigarette addiction. Right now, insurance companies are determining how to charge additional premiums to "elite non-smokers" based solely on their genetic makeup. Thanks guys.

4 Knocked up. Fans and media have been critical of Kim Kardashian's weight and maternity fashions. Last week, Kylie defended her step-sis, saying, "It pisses me off when people say, 'You're so fat' to Kim." Khloe stated, "OMG, I love her style," while Kourtney said, "Boo. They're jealous!" then Kendall said, "If you like it and feel good, why not?" ... and then my head exploded.

5 Smartphone. In Brazil, a woman jumped onto the subway tracks for her cellphone just as the train was arriving. The driver sounded the horn while the woman struggled to reach the platform. Two men pulled her out as the train barely missed her legs, inspiring Apple's new slogan: "iPhone5. More important than life itself."

6 Carry-on? Oh, Justin. Everyone knows you don't take your monkey to Munich without proper paperwork! Now, German authorities have given the Biebs four weeks to get him, or he'll be thrown in with the other confiscated monkeys.

7 Take a bow. Twitter exploded when Rihanna's tour bus stopped at a Walmart in Kamloops, B.C., last Sunday. Sources say the megastar entered McDonald's, bought a soft drink and made a donation to McHappy Day. She then browsed the ladies clothing section, moving gracefully, almost floating across the floor, radiating light and smelling like fresh-cut grass on a summer's day. Everyone waved as the bus pulled away, and for just one brief moment, there was peace.

8 FYI. This week in 1975, the extraordinary Minnie Riperton hit No. 1 with Loving You. Many still remember that famous high-note. Four years later, Riperton succumbed to cancer, leaving husband Richard Rudolph with daughter, Maya. Yes, the same Maya Rudolph who made you laugh on SNL and in movies like Bridesmaids and Grown Ups. OK, maybe not Grown Ups.



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In this city, transit is free



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Estonian capital pulls a world's first

A woman is seen placing her transit pass on an electronic reader on a city bus in the Estonian capital of Tallinn. It became the world's first capital to introduce free public transport for all residents. The initiative covers buses, streetcars and trolleybuses.

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Deputy Mayor Taavi Aas says the experiment, which will cost the city some 12 million euros (\$16 million) annually in lost ticket sales, has surpassed expectations. Passenger numbers are up 10 per cent, while the number of cars on city streets has fallen by as much as 15 per cent, according to Tallinn's transport authority. People move around more often, Aas said, adding, "This means they also spend more money, which boosts the economy."

Strategy actually builds city's revenue

The program is expected to boost the city's tax revenue because the registration requirement is essentially winning the city more taxable residents.

According to city calculations, some 40,000 people living and working in Tallinn are registered in other cities and towns. But more than

5,000 new Tallinn residents have been registered since Jan. 1, compared with 3,600 residency registrations during all of last year.

With 1,000 new residents equalling an estimated 1 million euros in tax revenue, the current registration rate would offset the cost. The only catch is that one must be registered as a city resident and get a two-euro transit pass. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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@Justmemarie2: Jann Arden is correct her advice is wise!! Justin

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@tpagee204: grow up! He's too childish

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Synopsis

It's spring! The days are getting longer, former Disney darlings are doing the Bikini Bounce on-screen in *Spring Breakers* and the *Reel Guys* have finally packed away their snow shovels and winter boots. So what better way to celebrate this time of growth and renewal than by staying indoors and watching movies? Today the *Reel Guys* select their favourite movies to usher in the new season.



Crime thriller *Spring Breakers*, a flick that sees former Disney stars go wild, is one of many movies embracing the season. HANDOUT

Films that will put a spring in your step

Reel Guys

RICHARD
CROUSE AND
MARK BRESLIN



Weary of winter? It's (hopefully) time to put away coats and bust out bikinis as the *Reel Guys* celebrate the coming of warm weather

Richard: Mark, there have been some Razzie winners based around spring break, that most springy of spring traditions. The *Real Cancun* and *From Justin to Kelly* spring to mind, but there have also been some pretty good ones. No one is going to mistake *Reno 911!* Miami as great art, but this rude, nude and lewd movie is quite funny, especially if exploding whales make you

laugh. I also like the grand-ma of all spring break movies, *Where the Boys Are*. What movies remind you of spring?

Mark: Richard, to me ALL beach movies are spring movies, the formula being heat + teenagers + hope = spring. You mention *Where the Boys Are*, but my vote goes to *For Those Who Think Young*, a 1964 confection starring James Darren as a wealthy playboy trying to romance chaste Pamela Tiffin. It also stars Paul Lynde, Bob Denver, Tina Louise and Nancy Sinatra. But most importantly, there's a lot of footage of the great forgotten Florida comic Woody Woodbury. And it features the greatest movie car ever: a '64 Buick

Riviera with the roof sliced neatly in two. I can't say enough good things about this bad movie.

RC: For the adults out there I'd recommend *The Four Seasons*, written, directed and starring everybody's favourite MASH surgeon Alan Alda. It uses the seasons — beginning in spring — to show the stages of friendship between three middle-aged couples. If it sounds too mid-life crisis-y for you, don't forget, it's also a comedy and Carol Burnett is terrific in it.

MB: Yes, it's a very good movie, with Carol Burnett in it, but it also has Bo Derek in it, too! And if *The Four Seasons* is about the cycle of renewal that

comes with Spring, consider the Korean film *Spring, Summer, Fall, Winter ... and Spring*, which trumps the *Alda* film by an extra Spring. This quiet, meditative film about a Buddhist monk is best enjoyed on a Sunday night with a big pot of green tea. It's very good, but it doesn't have Bo Derek in it.

RC: On the other end of the scale we have *Piranha 3D*, *Spring Break Massacre* and *Banshee!!!* (they added the three exclamation marks, not me!!!) all of which are cautionary spring break tales.

MB: Yes, Richard, they may all be cautionary tales about spring break, but also about having a lousy agent.

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Ryan Gosling is a melting pot of masculine clichés in his latest flick. HANDOUT

Muscles, tattoos, guns and Ryan Gosling

The Place Beyond the Pines. Actor talks about playing a guy who makes nothing but bad decisions

MATT PRIGGE

Metro World News in New York

Yes, Ryan Gosling is aware of the "Hey girl" meme. When the subject is bravely broached, the already quiet actor smiles and squirms in his chair.

"Remember when Fabio was on that rollercoaster and he got hit in the face by a pigeon? I kind of feel like that pigeon lately. Wrong place, wrong time."

Gosling is bit more open when talking about his new film, *The Place Beyond the Pines*, his second for director Derek Cianfrance. The two are on the same page.

"We were making *Blue Valentine*," he remembers, "and I had this cockamamie theory that I could rob a bank and get away with it. I wasn't so afraid of jail. He said that was crazy, that he had just written a movie about that. So it felt like we should make it."

In *The Place Beyond the Pines*, Gosling plays Luke, a face-tattooed carnival motorcycle racer who, in the opening, discovers one of his flings has resulted in a baby boy. In an effort to support him, and hopefully reunite with the mother (Eva Mendes), he becomes a bank robber. This is only the first act of the film, and his actions have repercussions throughout the shape-shifting narrative.

"It's all about consequences," Gosling explains. "It's this guy who's a melting pot of masculine clichés: muscles, tattoos, motorcycles, guns, knives. He learns those things don't make you a man

Reality — in ink

Derek Cianfrance and Ryan Gosling put the priority on realism, down to the tiniest detail, including Gosling's tattoos for the film. "We wanted to make the tattoos look a mess, from someone who lived a life of not thinking things through and making bad decisions," says Gosling.

at all. He's not a man, he's just surface — a superficial person without depth. In keeping with his character, he has this melodramatic, over-romanticized idea of how to turn this sinking ship around."

Not that he did too much delving into his character. "There's not much going on inside of Luke. He's a pretty surface-level person who is faced with his own lack of depth. I tried not to think too much," he says.

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Documentary



West of Memphis

Director. Amy Berg

Stars. Jason Baldwin,
Damien Echols, Jessie
Misskelley

The bulk of the movie is comprised of the 17-year fight to prove the innocence of the West Memphis Three, three teens convicted on dubious evidence in 1994 of the murder of three young boys. But compelling though the story may be, the Alford Plea that earned them release from prison on the proviso they plead guilty feels like justice, once again, was not served. West of Memphis is interesting, but ultimately unsatisfying.

RICHARD CROUSE

Horror



Evil Dead

Director. Fede Alvarez

Stars. Jane Levy,
Shiloh Fernandez

Sam Raimi's original 1982 shocker *The Evil Dead* was a wall-to-wall, DIY splatter landmark. The Raimi produced, Fede Alvarez directed remake however forgoes most of the manic energy of the first picture (and its sequels) in favour of atmospheric chills, baroque elegance and an absolutely jaw-dropping onslaught of vicious, stomach churning carnage. The set-up is the same: a bunch of kids go to a cabin in the woods, read from a demonic book, get possessed and hack each other into butcher spoils. But a wild final act pushes the film into histrionic horror art. CHRIS ALEXANDER

Holy Motors to hooligans

Eva Mendes. Actress says she feels like she's been prepping for her latest role her "whole life"

MATT PRIGGE
Metro World News in New York

The last time Eva Mendes was seen on screens was in *Holy Motors*, in which she played a model kidnapped by a belligerent underground man-beast with a curved goatee. She had no lines and barely broke her icy model facade. It was a kind of commentary, if perhaps accidental, on the career of Mendes, a beautiful woman and, earlier last decade, an *It Girl* — a designation that tends to stick for three or so years before being unceremoniously taken away.

"I'm an actress," Mendes insists, with a relaxed smile. "I'm certainly not a glamazon. I turn it on when I have to, if I have to wear something on the red car-

pet to sell a movie. That's not where the art lies."

Mendes has done her fair share of questionable Hollywood product (2 Fast 2 Furious, Hitch, Ghost Rider). But she's always made room for more challenging fare, such as *We Own the Night*, *Bad Lieutenant: Port of Call New Orleans* and *Training Day*, in which she played Denzel Washington's mistress. "I was as raw as you could be in that movie," she recalls. "That's what I gravitate towards. When you do the bigger Hollywood films they like you a little more cleaned up."

She's now in *The Place Beyond the Pines*, a three-part megadrama in which she plays a small town waitress who sired a baby with a carnival motorcycle racer played by her real-life boyfriend Ryan Gosling.

"I feel like I've been prepping for this role my whole life, whether I realized it or not," she says.

The film spans 15 years, requiring her to don some light aging makeup. "I didn't think of it as aging. I thought of it



The Place Beyond the Pines opens next Friday. HANDOUT

as a pain manifesting its way through time," she says. She still had tricks to make her look — and act — older.

"I had garments I would wear under my clothes to make me feel a certain way." She even shaved her eye-

brows down a very thin line — in the middle of the night, without telling her director, Derek Cianfrance.

"These were things that would suggest this is a woman who abandoned herself. That's where I went with it."

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Thicke blurring the lines with latest album

Online videos. With his wife's blessing, Robin Thicke pushes the boundaries by releasing an unrated and kid-friendly version of first single

Robin Thicke didn't plan on releasing the unrated version of his music video for the song Blurred Lines, which features nude models prowling around him and rappers Pharrell and T.I.

Then his friends and actress-wife Paula Patton weighed in.

"When I first got both videos, I liked them both, but I thought the first one is so good maybe we'll just release that and not release the second one. And then I started playing it for my friends and my lady, and everybody just thought it was great," he said. "It's entertainment."

Thicke's unrated video hit the Web on Tuesday and so far it has more than one million views on YouTube. The original kid- and teen-friendly version debuted last

week and has close to 800,000 views.

The 36-year-old singer said director Diane Martel came up with the idea of using nude models.

"As long as it's fun and the girls are comfortable, let's do something silly," Thicke said. "Let's take some chances."

Thicke said his wife was OK with the models on the set and he sought her approval.

al: "Obviously if she didn't like it, I wouldn't put it out."

Blurred Lines will appear on Thicke's sixth album, due out this summer. He said because of his upcoming album, he won't appear on the second season of BET's Real Husbands of Hollywood, which also stars comedian-actor Kevin Hart. The hit show recently wrapped its first season. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



Robin Thicke's new, unrated music video features nude models.
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Spring is here, so it's time for some fresh new tunes that can compliment the weather



SOUND CHECK
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Escapism/WVM

If you're at all into the same headspace as Trent Reznor of Nine Inch Nails, have a listen to this kid from L.A. He even has some NIN buddies performing with him.

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FBI agent has changed, says The Following co-star

Shawn Ashmore.
Canadian actor in Toronto talks about plot twists and working with Kevin Bacon

Followers of The Following know not to get too attached to any of the characters on the dark CTV/Fox series.

At any time, even regulars could be slaughtered by members of the show's serial killing cult, who most recently un-

leashed a brutal beating on FBI agent Mike Weston, played by Shawn Ashmore.

Luckily, Weston was spared the deadliest blows when former agent Ryan Hardy, played by Kevin Bacon, arrived just in time to scatter his attackers.

Ashmore says his character returns to action in this Monday's episode, although the assault leaves Mike heavily scarred, inside and out.

So what's in store for Mike?

Mike has been trying to get Ryan Hardy, Kevin Bacon's character, to befriend him, trust him and I think that Mike was kind of like the shiny penny — he was just kind of this goofy kid that was annoying the Ryan Hardy character and I think after the sacrifice that Mike makes Ryan starts to trust Mike to a certain extent and let him in a little bit. And so episode 12 starts to create that bond a little more between Mike and Ryan.

How is Mike feeling emotionally?

Mike is changed. Mike has a paranoia, a fear, and I think it's real now. The violence was around him and it was affecting people he had worked with — I mean, Agent Riley was killed in the third episode so it's been very close — but this was to the next level and so I think there's a certain level of paranoia with Mike. And that sort of fear and paranoia, he becomes more aggressive and less defensive. ... He's overcompensating and takes another turn. I don't want to give too much away because it plays out nicely, but you definitely see a new side of Agent Weston.

Mike's obsession with Ryan seemed to border on the unhealthy.

It is a fine line to walk because you don't want to go too much and be almost completely geeky. I don't think that there was ever that idea that Mike should be a total fanboy. He's an FBI agent, he's a professional, he has to be talented, smart.

And did you play it down because you knew that eventually Mike would have this life-altering encounter with the followers?

I didn't know anything about (that). We find out episode-to-episode what's going to happen. ... We got the warning in the first episode, "This is the kind of show where we will kill lead characters so if it happens down the line don't take it personally." Which is why I think the show is so effective.

When someone has a knife to their throat ... or is being beaten, on a normal show you'd be like, "Oh, well, that's one of the leads, they're not going to kill the lead." **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

TV picks

Go Mad: Don Draper returns — this week in TV

Some hard-hitting news stories from around the world that aren't covered by mainstream media are being dealt with on VICE, a new weekly series premiering Friday. Host Shane Smith and his team of correspondents — including former intern Ryan Duffy and Dos & Don's book editor Thomas Morton — will look at such topics as out-of-control political assassinations in the Philippines, the sumo/mixed martial arts craze that has swept Senegal and the precarious nuclear situation in Kashmir. (HBO Canada)

On Britain's longest-running soap Coronation Street, the dramatic domestic abuse storyline continues on Friday. Meanwhile, the mystery deepens as an investigation continues into who started the deadly fire at the Rovers Return. (CBC)

Saturday Night Live is hosted by comedian Melissa McCarthy, who starred in the film Bridesmaids and currently in the TV series Mike & Molly, a role that earned her an Emmy Award. She was also nominated in 2011 for outstanding guest actress in a comedy series for SNL hosting duties. She'll be joined by the French alternative band Phoenix. (Global)

Madison Avenue ad exec Don Draper (John Hamm) is back as the wildly popular Mad Men kicks off its sixth season Sunday in a two-hour premiere. When the fifth season wrapped up, the Sterling Cooper Draper Pryce agency was prospering, but not in ways that gratified Don. Planted at an elegant bar, he was approached by a beautiful woman who inquired, "Are you alone?" while on the soundtrack Nancy Sinatra sang the theme from the 1967 James Bond film, You Only Live Twice. (AMC)

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Mad Men returns Sunday on AMC. HANDOUT

Stars Carrie Underwood, Kelly Clarkson, George Strait and The Band Perry are on tap to perform at the 48th Academy of Country Music Awards Sunday in Las Vegas. Blake Shelton

(The Voice), who is nominated for three awards, returns to co-host for a third consecutive year along with rookie co-host singer-songwriter Luke Bryan, who has four nods. (CTV)

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Shawn Ashmore's character returns in this Monday's episode on CTV/Fox. HANDOUT

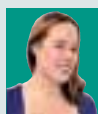
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OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES

The Word



Are Will and Jada getting jiggy with it?



THE WORD
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Do Will and Jada Smith have an open marriage? If you read between the lines in a recent interview

with the star with Huffington Post Live, it certainly seems like it.

"I've always told Will, 'You can do whatever you want as long as you can look at yourself in the mirror and be OK,'" she said. "Because at the end of the day, Will is his own man. I'm here as his partner, but he is his own man. He has to decide who he wants to be and that's not for me to do for him. Or vice versa."

Don't let my husband read this, please.



Justin Bieber ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

School's out for Bieber: Exams postponed for pop concerts

Officials at five Norwegian schools have reportedly rescheduled their midterm exams so as not to coincide with a pair of Justin Bieber concerts later this month, according to Fox News.

The school officials were apparently concerned that holding the exams in conflict with the April 16 and 17 concerts would lead to students skipping the tests in favour of seeing Bieber's performance.

The singer himself apparently approves, tweeting

a link to the news with the comment, "Love this."



Donald Trump

Trump's suit against Maher shelved, for now

Donald Trump has dropped his \$5 million lawsuit against comedian and television host of Bill Maher — which started over Maher's insistence that he would donate that amount of money to charity if Trump could prove he's not the son of an orangutan — but that doesn't mean the suit is history. "The lawsuit

was withdrawn to be amended and refiled at a later date," Trump's attorney, Michael Cohen, tells E! News. Maher made his initial challenge to Trump after the Apprentice boss publicly offered to donate \$5 million to charity if Barack Obama would produce his original birth certificate.

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Dig in! Feast of Thrones

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Since I'm the guy who's still working his way through the first season of *Mad Men*, I've been slow getting into *Game of Thrones*. That said, *Thrones'* plot line may have me forsaking Don Draper in favour of Tyrion Lannister.

I'm on board with any show that could possibly involve a feast or two. After all, where there's a chance of wild beast being served there's bound to be booze.

It's no cliché that white meats generally call for whites wines. Their texture and subtle flavours can get steamrolled by many reds, but not all. Chicken, especially one coated with a fruit or honey glaze, is a perfect match for the bright berry flavours that ooze from the pinot noir grape.

Thrones' tales of infighting and epic battles remind me of France, pinot's original home that's no stranger to clashes of historic proportions.

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(\$11.95 to \$13.99) from southern France has a soft, mushroom-meets-strawberry aroma and more than enough mouth appeal to match with honeyed chicken and fantasy world conniving.

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Food. HBO's *Game of Thrones* returned for Season 3 last week and what better way to celebrate than host a medieval-themed dinner party based on the epic fantasy novels and TV series?

ROMINA MCGUINNESS

Metro World News in London

A Feast of Ice and Fire, the official *Game of Thrones* cookbook, recreates some of the mouth-watering recipes featured in the novels, including Dothraki Blood Pie and Hen on the Wall.

Co-author and Chef Chelsea Monroe-Cassel talks us through how to throw a premiere party, Westeros style.

Setting the scene: Rich, romantic and grandiose

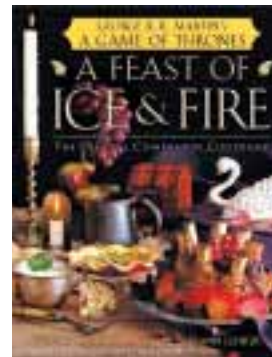
We don't all live in castles, so it can be tough to transform a regular apartment into something that looks the part. One thing you can do is to set up some kind of entrance. Try to find a brocade or velvet throw from a thrift store.

Split it down the middle and tie it to either side of a door using gold cord to make a grander entryway. Illuminate the room by lighting candles everywhere.

I'd avoid using scents that are too overpowering, such as rose or patchouli, as the heavy smell could clash with the flavours of the food. Simple beeswax is best.

Table etiquette: Finger licking is OK

There's something awesome about being dressed up in a



cloak and sat around a table eating chicken with your fingers by candlelight. Most of your guests will be hardcore fans, and think it's awesome. But others may be a little more reluctant. So if you take away their forks, leaving just knives and napkins, they'll have to play along like everyone else. Put in the extra effort to find medieval looking dishes and silverware, anything made from wood or pewter works.

The feast: Dig in

People think medieval food is gross, but recipes that sound weird are delicious once made. ... Seeing an opulent spread of food is really satisfying. So once everything is ready, lay it all out on the table at once. The only course that should be saved for later is the dessert. Serve it once your guests have settled down to watch the show in the lounge. Lastly, don't forget to quench your guests' thirst. Make sure you have plenty of red wine and apple cider to get you through the night.

Top tip

Here is the party tip that tops Monroe-Cassel's list.

- **The invite.** ...A physical invitation is incredibly important. Plus, having something mysteriously delivered to your doorstep is so much cooler than an online notification.

Appetizer. Very simple but tasty Dornish fare

"We haven't gotten to this in the show yet, but the Dornish have some of the best finger food. Take a platter and heap it with purple olives, flatbread, hummus and feta cheese."



1. Place the hummus, olives, pita bread and feta cheese on a platter and serve.

Ingredients

- Hummus
- Purple Olives
- Pita bread
- Feta Cheese

Dinner. Honeyed Chicken



"This is essentially just a roast chicken with a good sauce, but it's great because it's straight out of the halls of Winterfell. Plus, if you deny your guests silverware, they have to tear into it with their bare hands."

mixture thickens. Remove from the heat and when the chicken is done, coat it with honey sauce.

Ingredients

- 1 whole chicken for roasting
- Olive oil
- Salt
- Sauce:**
- 1/2 cup apple cider vinegar
- 1/3 cup honey
- 1 tsp fresh mint
- Small handful of raisins
- 1/2 tbsp butter

1. Rub chicken down with olive oil and salt. Heat oven at 450 F and leave to roast for approximately one hour.

2. In meantime, combine all ingredients for sauce in pan and leave to simmer until the raisins look plump and the

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Enter the World of Wheels

Rev up your engines, 'cause the 39th Annual Piston Ring World of Wheels show is riding into the Winnipeg Convention Centre this weekend. Whether you're a car fanatic or not, the World of Wheels show has some wicked eye candy for everyone. If you're an autograph seeker, this is your chance to meet a handful of celebrities who'll be on hand, including WWE's Edge, Sons of Anarchy's Christopher Douglas Reed, Dennis Gage and Davis Cleveland. Tickets are \$14 for adults and \$5 for kids. Check out autorama.com for more information.



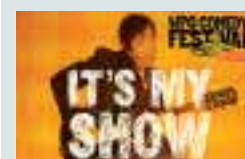
Carmen comes to life, Bolero style

The Bolero Dance Theatre is bringing Carmen to life at the Centre Culturel Franco-Manitobain, 340 Provencher Blvd., this weekend. This production is adding a little flamenco touch to Georges Bizet's infamous French opera about a naive soldier who falls in love with a wild gypsy, who only to have his heart broken when she leaves him for a bullfighter. Show times are Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$25 and available at McNally Robinson or online at bdtwpg.blogspot.ca.



Saturday night Shårt films

The Shårt International Comedy Film Festival takes place on Saturday at the Sturgeon Heights Community Centre. This one-night festival will show a number of funny short films from around the world, reviewed and chosen by the festival's namesake, Mr. Ulysses W. Shårt. (Yeah, I don't know who that is either, but he has a festival named after him, so he must be a big deal.) If you want to hone your comedic skills, the festival offers a full day comedy workshop. Tickets are \$15 online at shartfilmfestival.com.



Yuk it up at Comedy Fest

The laughs and hilarity are going to continue all week long, because the Winnipeg Comedy Festival kicks off on Monday. With a slew of comedic performers at a number of different venues throughout the city, you'll have a hard time keeping a straight face all week long. This year's feature performer is Gemini-winning George Westerholm, whose Fringe musical It's My Show will be at the Gas Station Arts Centre on April 12 at 10:30 p.m. Check out winnipeg-comedyfestival.com for a list of other performers and venues for the week.



Bragg brings the activist rock

Billy Bragg and his five-piece band bring their Tooth & Nail Tour to the Garrick Centre on Wednesday. Tooth & Nail is Bragg's first studio album release in five years, so even if you saw him last time he was here, this show will be different and full of new material. The rocker activist has a slew of North American tour dates ahead of him before he heads back to the UK in May. Australian folk/rock/blues singer Kim Churchill will open up the show. Tickets are \$35 and available at Ticketmaster. The show starts at 8 p.m.

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Jets drop fifth straight in loss to Canadiens

NHL. Winnipeg's playoff hopes slipping away as team blows an early lead vs. Habs

Michael Ryder scored two goals and set up another as the Montreal Canadiens downed Winnipeg 4-1 to hand the Jets a fifth straight defeat on Thursday night.

Brian Gionta and Alex Galchenyuk also scored for Montreal (24-8-5), which has won four of its last five but was coming off a 5-3 loss in Philadelphia on Wednesday night. Winnipeg outshot Montreal 35-24 as back-up goalie Peter Budaj improved to 6-1-1 for the season.

Alexander Burmistrov got his first goal in 18 games for the Jets (18-19-2), whose grip on top spot in the Southwest Division has slipped through a five-game stretch in which they have scored only six goals.

The Jets were swept on a three-game road trip, but they begin a six-game homestand Saturday against Philadelphia.

Winnipeg struck first as Burmistrov was left unguarded on the left side to bang Grant Clitsome's pass into an open net 8:16 into the game.

Montreal got it back on a power play at 10:47 as Ryder was alone at the edge of the crease to push Gionta's rebound past Ondrej Pavelec.

Ryder got his second of the night as he fired the rebound of a Subban shot past a



Canadiens winger Michael Blunden is stopped by Jets goalie Ondrej Pavelec during third-period action Thursday. The Jets lost 4-1. RYAN REMIOWZ/THE CANADIAN PRESS

screened Pavelec 2:03 into the second frame.

The veteran winger has nine goals in 17 games since he was acquired from Dallas on Feb. 26, including five in the last five. Subban has eight points in his last five contests.

Gionta was at the net to deflect Lars Eller's shot in on a power play at 5:51.

The Jets felt they had a power-play goal early in the third, but Tobias Enstrom's tally was called back because Blake Wheeler had bumped Budaj in the crease.

Galchenyuk sealed the victory when he was at the doorstep to lift in a puck flipped into the crease area by Ryder 7:43 into the third.

The Canadiens edged the Jets 4-3 in Montreal on Jan. 29. Winnipeg closes out the regular season at home against Montreal on April 25.

A team called the Winnipeg Jets has not won in Montreal since the former franchise (now the Phoenix Coyotes) did it on March 14, 1985.

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On Thursday

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NHL

Holtby perfect in
shootout as Caps
top Islanders

Mike Green scored his fifth goal in four games, Braden Holtby made 35 saves and then was perfect in the shootout, and the Washington Capitals' long, slow comeback toward a playoff spot took another big step Thursday

night with a 2-1 shootout win over the New York Islanders.

Holtby denied Frans Nielsen, Brad Boyes and John Tavares in the shootout for the Capitals, who moved into a tie on points with Winnipeg atop the Southeast Division after the Jets lost 4-1 at Montreal.

Either way, Washington will still have two games in hand against Winnipeg, a major turnaround for a Capitals team that started 2-8-1. They've won six of their

last eight.

Green scored on a wrister from the right circle with 13 seconds remaining in the first period, and Alex Ovechkin was the only player from either team to find the net in the shootout.

New York, trying to make the playoffs for first time since 2007, had won five of six and picked up a standings point to move into seventh place in the Eastern Conference. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
z-Miami	58	16	.784	—
x-New York	48	26	.649	10
x-Indiana	48	27	.640	10½
x-Brooklyn	43	32	.573	15½
x-Chicago	41	33	.554	17
x-Atlanta	42	34	.553	17
x-Boston	39	36	.520	19½
Milwaukee	36	38	.486	22
Philadelphia	30	44	.405	28
Toronto	28	47	.373	30½
Washington	28	47	.373	30½
Detroit	25	51	.329	34
Cleveland	22	52	.297	36
Orlando	19	57	.250	40
Charlotte	18	57	.240	40½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-San Antonio	56	19	.747	—
x-Oklahoma City	54	20	.730	1½
x-Denver	51	24	.680	5
x-L.A. Clippers	50	26	.658	6½
x-Memphis	51	24	.680	5
Golden State	43	32	.573	13
Houston	42	33	.560	14
L.A. Lakers	39	36	.520	17
Utah	39	37	.513	17½
Dallas	36	38	.486	19½
Portland	33	42	.440	23
Minnesota	28	46	.378	27½
Sacramento	27	48	.360	29
New Orleans	26	49	.347	30
Phoenix	23	52	.307	33

x — clinched playoff berth; z — clinched conference.

THURSDAY'S RESULTS

Chicago 92 Brooklyn 90

Dallas at Denver

San Antonio at Oklahoma City

FRIDAY'S GAMES — All Times Eastern

Milwaukee at New York, 7:30 p.m.

Cleveland at Boston, 7:30 p.m.

Philadelphia at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.

Oklahoma City at Indiana, 8 p.m.

Toronto at Minnesota, 8 p.m.

Orlando at Chicago, 8 p.m.

Miami at Charlotte, 8 p.m.

New Orleans at Utah, 9 p.m.

Dallas at Sacramento, 10 p.m.

Golden State at Phoenix, 10 p.m.

Houston at Portland, 10:30 p.m.

Memphis at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	OTL	SL	GF	GA	Pt
d-Pittsburgh	38	28	10	0	0	125	94	56
d-Montreal	37	24	8	3	2	118	90	53
d-Washington	37	18	17	2	0	109	105	38
Boston	36	24	8	2	2	101	77	52
Ottawa	36	19	11	2	4	91	79	44
Toronto	37	20	13	0	4	115	105	44
NY Islanders	38	18	16	3	1	109	117	40
NY Rangers	36	18	15	0	3	88	87	39
New Jersey	37	15	13	3	6	89	101	39
Winnipeg	39	18	19	0	2	94	119	38
Philadelphia	37	17	17	1	2	105	114	37
Carolina	36	16	18	1	1	96	111	34
Tampa Bay	36	16	18	0	2	117	106	34
Buffalo	37	14	17	2	4	98	114	34
Florida	37	12	19	5	1	91	127	30

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	OTL	SL	GF	GA	Pt
d-Chicago	35	27	5	0	3	119	76	57
d-Anaheim	37	25	7	2	3	116	92	55
d-Minnesota	36	21	13	1	1	100	94	44
Vancouver	36	19	11	1	5	94	93	44
San Jose	36	19	11	3	3	92	88	44
Los Angeles	36	20	13	1	2	104	91	43
Detroit	36	18	13	3	2	94	94	41
Edmonton	36	16	13	4	3	99	98	39
St. Louis	34	18	14	1	1	98	94	38
Nashville	37	15	14	2	6	92	100	38
Columbus	36	15	14	3	4	87	97	37
Phoenix	36	15	15	2	4	97	102	36
Dallas	36	16	17	2	1	96	112	35
Calgary	35	13	18	1	3	96	126	30
Colorado	36	12	20	3	1	87	114	28

d — division leader. Note — division leaders ranked in top three positions per conference regardless of points; a team winning in overtime or shootout is credited with two points and a victory in the W column; the team losing in overtime or shootout receives one point which is registered in the OTL or SOL columns.

THURSDAY'S RESULTS

Boston 1 New Jersey 0

Philadelphia 5 Toronto 3

Washington 2 NY Islanders 1 (SO)

Tampa Bay 5 Carolina 0

Montreal 4 Winnipeg 1

Columbus at Nashville

St. Louis at Chicago

Detroit at Phoenix

Minnesota at Los Angeles

Edmonton at Vancouver

MLB

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct	GB
Baltimore	2	1	.667	—
Boston	2	1	.667	—
New York	1	2	.333	1
Tampa Bay	1	2	.333	1
Toronto	1	2	.333	1

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	2	1	.667	—
Cleveland	2	1	.667	—
Minnesota	2	1	.667	—
Detroit	1	2	.333	1
Kansas City	1	2	.333	1

THURSDAY'S RESULTS

Toronto 10 Cleveland 8

Minnesota 8 Detroit 2

Kansas City 3 Chicago White Sox 1

Baltimore 6 Tampa Bay 3

Oakland 8 Seattle 2

N.Y. Yankees 4 Boston 2

FRIDAY'S GAMES — All Times Eastern

N.Y. Yankees at Detroit, 1:08 p.m.

L.A. Angels at Texas, 2:05 p.m.

Minnesota at Baltimore, 3:05 p.m.

Kansas City at Philadelphia, 4:05 p.m.

Boston (Doubt 0-0) at Toronto (J. Johnson 0-0), 7:07 p.m.

Cleveland at Tampa Bay, 7:10 p.m.

Oakland at Houston, 8:10 p.m.

Seattle at Chicago White Sox, 8:10 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

THURSDAY'S RESULTS

Chicago Cubs 3 Pittsburgh 2

Cincinnati 5 L.A. Angels 4

San Diego 2 N.Y. Mets 1

Washington 6 Miami 1

Philadelphia 2 Atlanta 0

FRIDAY'S GAMES — All Times Eastern

Kansas City at Philadelphia, 4:05 p.m.

San Diego at Colorado, 4:10 p.m.

St. Louis at San Francisco, 4:35 p.m.

Miami at N.Y. Mets, 7:10 p.m.

Washington at Cincinnati, 7:10 p.m.

Chicago Cubs at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.

Arizona at Milwaukee, 8:10 p.m.

Pittsburgh at L.A. Dodgers, 10:10 p.m.

New Jet joins playoff
race after move from
last-place Panthers

NHL. 27-year-old forward Mike Santorelli plays first game as a Jet in 4-1 loss to Canadiens

Being claimed off waivers has put Mike Santorelli back into an NHL playoff race.

The Vancouver native skated with his new Winnipeg Jets teammates on Thursday morning, a day after he was claimed from the last-place Florida Panthers.

"It's exciting," said the 27-year-old forward, who saw his first action as a Jet in his club's 4-1 loss to the Montreal Canadiens on Thursday night. "This time of year, that's what you play for.

"I'm very happy to be part of this."

The Jets looked to have a

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"It's exciting. This time of year, that's what you play for. I'm very happy to be a part of this."

Forward Mike Santorelli on being claimed off waivers by the Jets from the last-place Florida Panthers.

playoff spot in the bag when they took over first place in the Southeast Division with an 8-3-1 spurt from March 7 to March 26. But five straight losses since then has dropped them into a tight battle with Washington.

And the Capitals boosted their attack by dealing for veteran forward Martin Erat ahead of the NHL trade deadline on

Wednesday, while Winnipeg's only NHL move was claiming Santorelli.

They also signed their 2012 first round draft pick Jacob Trouba from the University of Michigan, although it is uncertain if the 19-year-old will see much NHL action this season.

Coach Claude Noel hopes the six-foot 190-pound Santorelli can help put some spark into an offence that scored only five goals in the four defeats.

"He gives us speed and skill and he's been able to finish in the past," said Noel.

Santorelli had two goals and an assist in 24 games with the Panthers this season. In 198 career NHL games, he has 33 goals and 58 points.

Losing has been a test for the Jets, who missed the post-season last season when the franchise moved to Winnipeg from Atlanta. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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Blue Jays bats come around in T.O.'s first win of the season

MLB. Toronto salvages first win as offence clicks to redeem series finale versus Cleveland

J.P. Arencibia homered twice and Jose Bautista, Edwin Encarnacion and Colby Rasmus also found the stands for Toronto as Blue Jay bats came alive in a wild and woolly 10-8 win over the Cleveland Indians on Thursday.

It was a back-and-forth game of long ball with homers accounting for 10 of the runs in Toronto's first victory of the season.

It didn't come easy. Like a slasher-movie maniac, the Indians refused to stop coming at the Jays.

Cleveland (2-1) out-hit Toronto 14-9 and had the bases



Jays right fielder Jose Bautista celebrates his first-inning home run on Thursday in Toronto.
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loaded with two out in the eighth and the score 9-8 before second baseman Emilio Bonifacio ended the inning with a

tough throw to first.

Toronto (1-2) scored insurance in the bottom of the eighth when Bautista beat out a double play, allowing Jose Reyes to score — punishing Indian reliever Matt Albers for a pair of one-out walks.

Closer Casey Janssen pitched a 1-2-3 ninth — with two strikeouts to get the save.

There could be more drama Friday as the Jays open a three-game series against the visiting Boston Red Sox and former manager John Farrell.

Attendance was 19,515, compared to the opening-day sellout of 48,857 and Wednesday's 24,619. But fans got their money's worth on Thursday.

The five Toronto home-run swings produced eight runs, almost tripling the Jays' three-run output in 65 total at-bats over the first two games.

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Danes down host Canucks

Canada skip Brad Jacobs makes a shot during his side's 5-3 loss to Denmark at the World Men's Curling Championship in Victoria, B.C., Thursday. Canada dropped to 7-3 while the Danes finished the round-robin segment with a 7-4. Jacobs' Northern Ontario rink was due to conclude the round-robin segment against Sweden later Thursday. The one-two Page playoff game and any necessary tiebreakers will be held Friday. JONATHAN HAYWARD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Outdoor game

NHL to announce Classic is back on

It will be low-key and with less fanfare, but the NHL will officially announce on Sunday that the outdoor Winter Classic between the Maple Leafs and Detroit Red Wings is back on, according to Torstar News Service.

The league has called a news conference for Sunday at Joe Louis Arena during which it will reveal the jerseys the Leafs and Wings will wear for the game that is expected to draw more than 100,000 people to the football stadium at the University of Michigan.

The Jan. 1 game was a casualty of the lockout in 2013. There is talk it may be shifted from its usual Jan. 1 slot.

Last year the league announced that the Classic was heading to Detroit, and that it would be accompanied by festivities through the holiday season including outdoor games for teams in the AHL, OHL and U.S. colleges.

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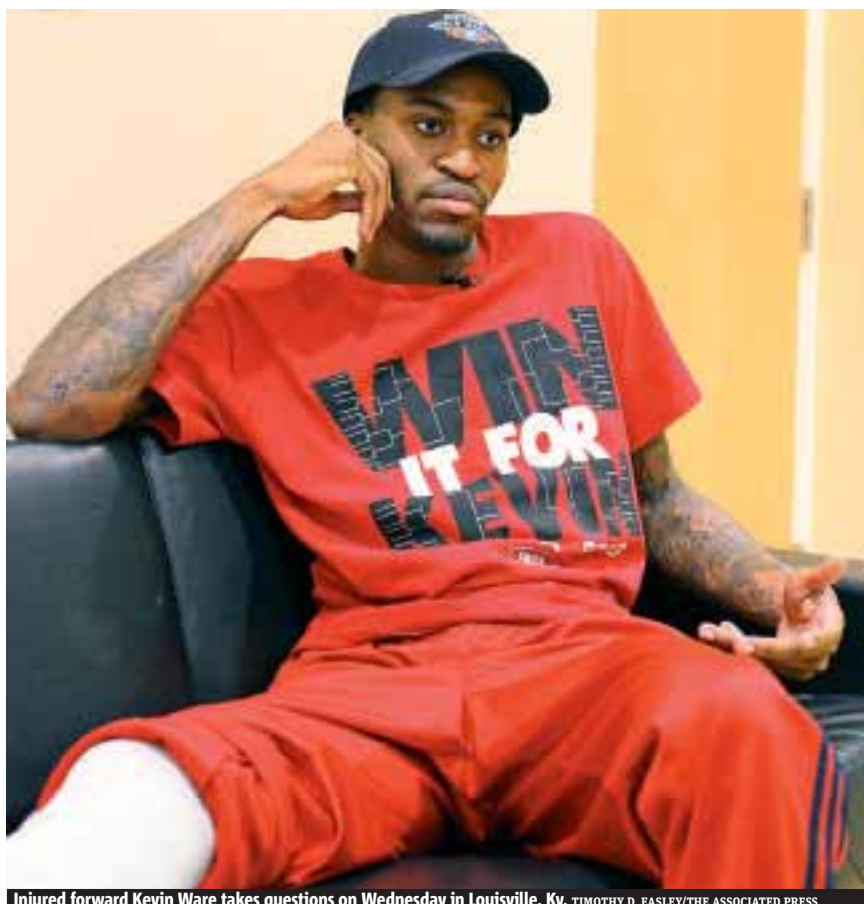
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Injured forward Kevin Ware takes questions on Wednesday in Louisville, Ky. TIMOTHY D. EASLEY/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Louisville has big hole to fill in Ware

Final Four. Wounded guard integral to Cardinals' high-octane, high-pressure defence

His full-leg cast and crutches aside, Kevin Ware is no different than the rest of his Louisville teammates this week. He's at team meetings. He's going to practice. He's riding the bus. He even put on his jersey to pose for the stock images that will be used during the Final Four telecast.

"He's doing everything he would normally do," Peyton Siva said.

Except playing.

Ware's presence at the Final Four is an emotional boost for the Cardinals, coming just days after he broke his lower right leg in gruesome fashion. But his absence on the floor leaves the top-seeded Cardinals vulnerable for the first time in the NCAA tournament.

"It's going to take a great effort without Kevin to win this thing. We know that," Louisville coach Rick Pitino said Thursday. "I would have said we probably were offensively and defensively one of the better teams in the country. Now I think we've got some problems that we've got to overcome. If we can do that, we can win. But we've got some problems."

The Cardinals (33-5) play Wichita State (30-8) on Saturday night.

Ware started only one game this year for Louisville. He averaged fewer than six points in the NCAA tournament, and had a total of five assists and four steals in the first four games.

But he's been invaluable for the Cardinals, giving Pitino a much-needed backup for Siva and Russ Smith, the high-octane guards at the heart of Louisville's suffocating defence. The Cardinals don't know the meaning of the words "personal space," putting pressure on anyone who's got the ball.

Final Four schedule

- Louisville (1) vs. Wichita (9). Saturday, 6:09 p.m.
- Michigan (4) vs. Syracuse(4). Saturday, 8:49 p.m.

It's exhausting to watch, let alone play, and Pitino has made liberal use of his bench to keep everybody fresh.

Ware averaged 20 minutes in the first three games, above his 16.2 during the season.

Take away Ware, however, and Pitino's options are limited. Mike Marra missed the whole season after getting hurt in September. Luke Hancock can play guard, but the junior has been outstanding as a backup forward and Pitino might not want to mess with that. Wayne Blackshear could be moved over, too, at least on defence, but he's one of Louisville's starting forwards. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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Horoscopes

♈ Aries

March 21 - April 20

You have never been afraid to fight for your rights but you need to remember that others have rights as well. You could force your wishes on others today but it's really not worth the bad feeling.

♉ Taurus

April 21 - May 21

If you are the focus of gossip, the best way to deal with it is to laugh it off. It seems someone is stirring up trouble and hoping you will react. Now that you know, act cool.

♊ Gemini

May 22 - June 21

You may not like it when others make decisions for you but the planets indicate you will have to grin and bear it today. Sometimes you have no choice but to follow orders. But you'll get your revenge.

♋ Cancer

June 22 - July 23

Your rivals are not nearly as powerful or influential as they think they are. Your best defense when confronted by anger or animosity is to just ignore them. Imagine they don't exist — and for you they won't.

♌ Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23

There is something you know you must do, something you should probably have done weeks ago. Stop just thinking about it and do something concrete. Take the first step and the rest will come easy.

♍ Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

You can't resist giving advice — it's part of your nature — but don't be surprised if what you say today is outright rejected by a friend. You're allowed to give advice but they don't have to take it.

♎ Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

There will be situations over which you have no control and you need to accept that. Don't waste your time and energy trying to change what cannot be changed. Relax — it's life.

♏ Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

Don't be too eager to get rid of one thing so you can have another, because it may not be as simple as that. If you are thinking of making changes, try waiting a few days. They may be unnecessary.

♐ Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

You may be inclined, in true Sagittarian fashion, to throw everything at a problem in the hope that one huge effort will solve it. Maybe it will, but more likely you will exhaust yourself. Is it really worth the effort?

♑ Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

You seem to believe that the world is against you, that negative forces are plotting to bring you down. You've been reading too many conspiracy theories. The world is not against you, it loves you.

♒ Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

Is it possible to affect the outcome of a situation by thinking strong and positive thoughts about it? Yes, it is. And if you give it a go over the next few days you will be amazed by the results.

♓ Pisces

Feb. 20 - March 20

It will be easy to lose your temper with someone today but is it worth the effort? No, it's not. The best way to deal with those who annoy you is to pretend they don't exist.

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Crossword: Canada Across and Down

Across

1. Blue Rodeo song
5. Heidi Klums 'Run-way', e.g.
9. Aries animals
13. Newspaper piece, —
14. Memorization method
15. 1998 to 2000 Canadian series, " — of New Moon"
17. Carpe —!
18. Star Wars creature
19. Whoopi Goldberg's role in "The Color Purple" (1985)
20. Mulled-over by picky actors
22. Fancy affirmative
24. Chanted by chanters
25. Nose: French
26. Scheme
27. Six, in Italy
28. Opposite NbW
31. Hamlet in Nunavut
34. "American Idol" alum Constantine who is starring in #8-Down
36. Young salmon
40. Joni Mitchell's " — for Going"
41. Perform badly, say
44. 'Memorab' add-on
45. Band
47. Breakfast appliances
49. Finance Minister, Jim —
52. Furniture wood
53. Sit-ups targets
56. Secondhand
57. Pinafore's letters in opera circles



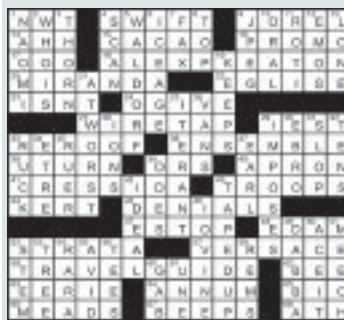
59. Batch
60. "Oh, give — home..."
61. Ancient area of France
65. Montreal — (Where the Canadiens once played)
67. On-a-glass citrus slice
69. J.R.R. Tolkien's li'l masterpiece
70. Entertain
71. Fort —, Ontario

72. Architect Mr. Saarinen
 73. Headliner
 74. Knitter's need
 75. Hellmann's, e.g.
- Down**
1. Curtains holders
 2. Heroic tale
 3. —do-well
 4. —. Assistant (Office job)
 5. Knotted/salted snacks
 6. Dustups

7. Ear: Prefix
8. — & Hyde (Broadway musical starring Canadian singer Deborah Cox)
9. Takes back, as a statement
10. Soul: French
11. Canadian tennis player Mr. Raonic
12. Green ooze
16. " —, — can." (Can-do attitude reply)

21. Place in South America
23. Montreal tap liquid
26. Put forth, as fact
28. Conceitedly contented
29. Roseanne of "Roseanne"
30. As a result
32. Canine command!
33. Give off
35. Egg: French
37. Prefix meaning 'Oil'
38. Currency replaced by the Euro
39. Job
42. Hide Hair connector
43. Hamilton-born actress Ms. Robertson
46. Toronto-born actor Christopher
48. Types of orchestras, for short
50. 'Purch' add-on (Buy)
51. "Angel Eyes" singer Jeff
53. — Romeo (Sports car)
54. Periods of prosperity
55. Work the fashion runway
58. Witch Trials site
61. Type of ruler
62. Papua New Guinea monetary unit
63. Macy Gray hit: 2 wds.
64. 'Buck' add-on
66. Bruce Springsteen's "Born in the —"
68. George Gershwin's brother

Yesterday's Crossword

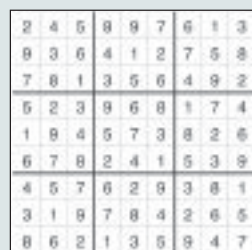


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How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved.

Yesterday's Sudoku



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